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Notes Concerning the Soviet Tank Division

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1. Artillery Reconnaissance Battery is at the disposal of Deputy Div CO for Artillery who presumably commands the Art Regt, Anti-aircraft Regt and Rocket Bn for training, employment and supply.
2. Possibly also five T-54 tanks in the Rec Co.
3. Possibly has also a Tank Engineer Co.
4. Tank Bn has three companies of ten T-54 each and two T-54 tanks with HQ.
5. The Companies have partly received T-10 tanks.
6. Are directly subordinate to the Division.
7. Outdated JSU-152 are still in use.
8. The organization of the Regiments is the same as the one of the Motorized Rifle Regts of the Motorized Rifle Div.
9. The Third Motorized Rifle Co in the Mot Rifle Bn will possibly be activated in case of war.
10. Presumably reorganization into two batteries of six SU-57/2 each and 2-3 batteries of six 57mm antiaircraft guns (drawn), similar to the antiaircraft regiments of the NVA.
11. Uniformly equipped with 18 BM-24, including 12 rocket launchers on trucks; the 3d company to be equipped with six BM-24 on M-54 half-truck carriers.
12. 57mm artitank guns and 82mm mortars were no longer seen in the third company of the Rec Bn.

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13. There is presumably a third (service) company.

14. It is doubtful whether the Tank Training Bn will remain with the Division also in case of war.

15. Presumably four training companies, similar to the Mot Rifle Div.

16. Only an assumption.

17. In peace time the cadre unit presumably only in strength of a medical company.

18. The Transp Bn has at least 120 trucks including fuel trucks.

19. The repair unit has presumably a tank, motor vehicle, and artillery workshop *each*.

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Notes Concerning the Motorized Rifle Division

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1. Art Rec Btry is at the disposal of the Deputy Div CO for Artillery who presumably commands the Art Regt, Antiaircraft Regt, and Rocket Bn for training, employment, and supply.
2. Equipped with six SU-57/2 instead of four 57mm antiaircraft guns drawn.
3. Possibly also an engineer company.
4. The 3d Mot Rifle Co in the Mot Rifle Bn will probably be activated in case of war.
5. The Heavy MG Co has presumably also two 14.5mm hy MG, similar to the NVA.
6. T-54 tanks are also partly used.
7. A few divisions still have SU-100 in the third companies.
8. The assault gun company has already been equipped partly with JSU-122.
9. Batteries still have 122-mm field howitzers instead of 152mm field howitzers.
10. It might be planned to equip the two 85mm antiaircraft batteries with SU-57/2, similar to the Tank Dv.
11. At present replacement of the outdated BM-13 rocket launchers by M-13 rocket launchers.
12. 57mm antitank guns and 82-mm mortars were no longer seen in the 3d Co of the Rec Bn.

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13. There is presumably a third (service) company.

14. It is doubtful whether the tank training Bn will remain with the Division in case of war.

15. Presumably four training companies:

1st Co for tank officers

2d Co for tank drivers

3d Co for armored rifle men, radio operators and mechanics.

4th Co for rifle men of Mot Rifle Co.

16. Only an assumption.

17. In peacetime, the cadre unit presumably only in strength of a medical company.

18. The Trspt Bn has at least 120 trucks including fuel trucks.

19. The repair unit has presumably a tank, motor vehicle, and artillery workshop *each*.

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